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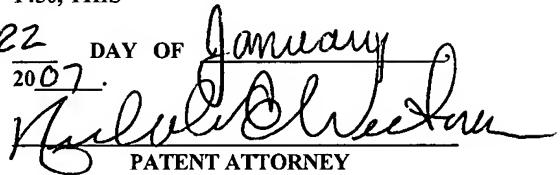
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A copy of Netherlands Patent No. 1,016,230 is listed on the Form 1449, and a copy is enclosed along with an English translation of the abstract. This patent was first cited in an examination report from the EPO application corresponding to this application. A copy of the EPO examination report is enclosed and listed on the Form 1449. In paragraph 1.3 of the examination report, the reason for citing (pertinence) of the enclosed Netherlands patent is set out.

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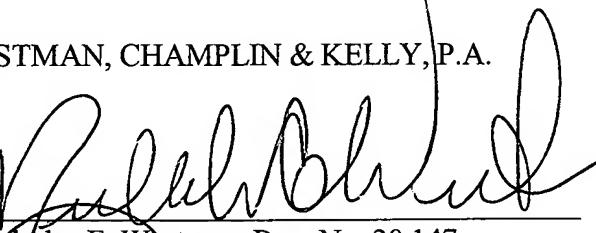
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